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The Freedmen's Bureau—Negro Testimony.

An act "to establish a Bureau for the Relief of Freedmen and Refugees," was enacted by Congress on the 3d of March, 1865. To the said Bureau was committed the supervision of all abandoned lands and the control of all subjects relating to refugees and freedmen, under such rules and regulations as may be prescribed by the head of the Bureau and approved by the President.

The act put this Bureau under the management and control of a Committee, to be appointed by the President, and with the advice and consent of the Senate. The President is also empowered, in like manner, to appoint an Assistant Commissioner for each of the States declared to be in insurrection, who shall, under the direction of the Commissioner, and the executions of the provisions of the act.

On the 30th of May, 1865, this Bureau adopted "Rules and Regulations for Assistant Commissioners," which were approved by the President on the 2d of June, 1865, one of which is as follows:

"In all places where there is an insurrection, or where the law of the land is not observed, by reason of old codes, in violation of the freedom guaranteed by the Proclamation of the President and the laws of Congress, disregard the same, and let it to the discretion of the Bureau to determine in what manner it can best serve him to give testimony, the control of all subjects relating to refugees and freedmen being committed to this Bureau, the Assistant Commissioners will adjudge all their demands, and, if necessary, the appointment, all difficulties arising between negroes themselves, or between negroes and whites or Indians, except those arising from military authority, and not taken cognizance by the other tribunals civil or military of the United States."

The Legislature of Tennessee, at its last session, did not seem disposed to entertain the question of giving the freedmen of the State *et al.* to give evidence in our courts. This was above quoted, adopted by the Freedmen's Bureau, renders it imperative upon the Legislature to take some *et al.* on the subject. If that action *et al.* be favorable, the people of the State will be saved a great deal of trouble. The question for the Legislature to determine is whether the State *et al.* shall have jurisdiction of all cases in which the colored population are concerned, or whether they shall be tried and determined by the Freedmen's Bureau.

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"I am informed that the Emperor of Mexico will do his best to sustain and uphold the empire of Maximilian is betrayed by the United States and other power. And let me assure you that the whole world of America, and the provinces of Central America, will stand by France in her war with Mexico in the event of a conflict between the great republics of the West and the empire of Maximilian."

Spain too—I think nearly every European, including Turkey and Brazil, and Guatemala will back up Louis Napoleon on this issue should it be brought up.

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"From the first, we saw that Napoleon's purpose was to obtain territory and colonies, and the Mexican provinces of Sonora and Lower California were indicated as what he had especially made up his mind to obtain.

The last account left the French in possession of the port of Guaymas, in Sonora, and the French have been driven in—the remainder will follow at Napoleon's earliest convenience."

A good thing on Greece.

A writer in the N. Y. Times relates a readable anecdote about Horace Greeley. In the days when the Philosopher was the grand champion of total abstinence, not only in theory but (to his honor be it said) in practice, and he made his influential journal so conspicuously virtuous in this regard, that nine in ten of all his country readers were ready to swear that every man on the paper, from A. No. 1 to Zed, was a rampant cold waterite, and went to church three times and a half every Sunday, besides every Thursday night. One day, in a ponderous leader on his favorite hobby, the governor betrayed his innocence of tippling by writing that on a specified occasion certain persons had been "drinking brandy, whisky, champagne and Heideck."

The morning on which this *Greeley* something was printed found us (the writer was there) in a grand chuckle over the Old Man's blunder in saying "champagne and Heideck." Most of us had known Charles Heideck in the shape of sick headache too often to forget him in a hurry. In our seven-year editorial room which held us in these days, we laughed hugely over the mistake.

The Army and Navy Journal, with more truth than poetry, say in reviewing the Great War, it becomes evident that, with all its shortcomings, the military power did its work better than the political power—the soldiers were more sagacious, more successful, more useful, than the statesmen. Since the Napoleonic wars, indeed, no military leaders superior to the most prominent American generals, have appeared in history, and Napoleon himself is their only superior in the century. On the other hand, the statesmen of the time have been inferior to any of them. Probably there never was so important a crisis in a nation's destiny, which has brought out so few great men in affairs of state, our legislators and leaders have never understood, apparently, the emergence, which was the ruler; there was at this present time annoying a sixth of the city by sending in Uncle Sam's "tax bills"; there was, lastly and greatest, the courteous and important money-man, a good fellow, a gourmet by education, and perhaps coming as near as any other to the "awful example" for the Old Man's hemmies. So we sat and how-hawed over the leading editor's mistake, until that veritable individual, who aspired to lead opinion, suddenly appeared, his crumpled hat perched on his coat collar, his thin flaxen hair half covered with the pages of a smasher leader, written before breakfast, and jammed into the hat instead of the pocket, his hands full of letters and papers in most admired disorder, and his whole self slouching in with the peculiar gait of a lame, his clear child-like face and innocent eyes beaming with that mild, inquiring look, that overcomes malice and almost dismises prejudice.

Conspiring to confound the Old Man, who had so often confounded us for lesser sin, we put forth the gourmand as our spokesman, and he, in English remarkable for its mathematical precision, (his mind was commercially constructed) rallied the chief upon the ridiculous mistake he had made in representing "Champagnes" and "Heideck" as distinct tipplers, and then we felt victorious, and again we guffawed. Looking around upon the crowd in his quiet way, and (as Hamlet, senior, scented the morning air) seeming to scent the morning cocktail, the champion of totalism crushed us under this quiet reply: "Now, did I?" Was I, reckon, I'm only written on this paper who could make such a blunder? We subside. And down to this day, it would appear that the Old Man is oblivious of the commonest distinctions in the catalogue of potables.

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Jackson, Miss., Sept. 4.—I learn that General Slocum, commanding the Department of Mississippi, has been ordered by Gen. President Johnson, an very important general, in whose directs all officers of his department to offer no resistance whatever with the organization of the State militia, as provided for by the proclamation of Governor Sharkey.

He relies upon all his officers, in case any difficulty should arise between the Federal troops and the State militia, to stand by the side of the master without consulting the department commander. President Johnson's instructions look to the gradual suppression of the Federal troops by State militia, to diminish the national expense.

General Slocum's order is considered to be of great importance, as fixing definitely the time of reconstruction to be followed in Mississippi.

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